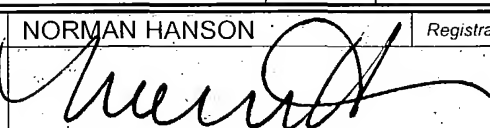


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REQUEST FOR INTERFERENCE
(37 C.F.R. 1.604, MPEP 2304)

Applicants request that an interference be declared between this application and another application, as described below.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.604, the following information is provided.

I. PROPOSED COUNTS

The proposed counts for the interference are as follows.

- Count 1: An isolated nucleic acid molecule which encodes a T cell inducible factor, comprising the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO: 24.
- Count 2: An isolated protein encoded by the nucleotide sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO: 24.
- Count 3: An antibody which binds specifically to the protein encoded by the nucleotide sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO: 24.

II. THE OTHER APPLICATIONS

The application with which interference is sought is Application Serial No. 10/238,565, to Gurney, et al., filed September 22, 2002, and published on May 29, 2003. At the least, claims 1-5 of the '565 application correspond to proposed Count 1, claims 11-13 correspond to proposed Count 2 and claim 16 and 17 correspond to proposed Count 3.

III. WHY AN INTERFERENCE SHOULD BE DECLARED

The claims of the '565 patent all recite the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO: 1 in some way. SEQ ID NO: 1 of the '565 patent is identical to SEQ ID NO: 24 of the current application. This was recognized by the USPTO, in the parent of the '565 application, i.e., Serial No. 09/870,570, filed May 30, 2001. In an Office Action dated August 13, 2002 (copy attached), the examiner stated, of the '574 application:

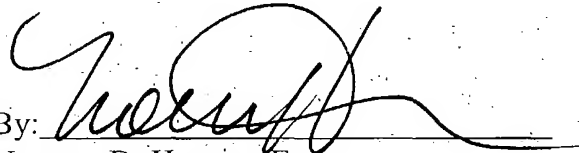
“Claims 1, 3, 4, 6-10, and 35 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,331,613, Dumoutier, et al., filed 18 October 1999, and 6,359,117, Dumoutier, et al., filed 16 July 1999. SEQ ID NO: 24 of each of these patents is identical to residues 1-676 of instant SEQ ID NO: 1 and encodes instant SEQ ID NO: 2.”

Claims 1-5, 11-13, 16 and 17 of the '565 application are identical to the claims rejected by the examiner in the parent, '574 application.

It is believed that all of the requisites for seeking to provoke an interference between two applications have been satisfied, and a decision that an interference exists is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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